

The Board of Trustees of Denton Independent School District, State of Texas, met in a regular meeting at the Denton ISD Central Services building, 1307 N. Locust St., Denton, Texas, on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Mia Price who announced that a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Alexander, Harris, Price, Ramsey, Rodriguez, Smith, and Stafford

Board Members Absent:

Arrived Late:

Left Early:

School Personnel Present: Braswell, Wilson, Mattingly, Stripling, Monschke, Stephens, Cox and Stevenson.

Others: Brittany Tabor, *Denton Record Chronicle*; DEA; Randy Stout, Attorney; citizens, staff, and students.

Pledges: The pledges to the flags were led by Hawk Elementary School students.

Presentations/ Recognitions: Two seniors from the Denton ISD have been named National Merit Semifinalists. Aaron Jackson from Guyer High School and Kathryn Hokamp from Ryan High School.

Fifteen Denton ISD seniors also were recognized as commended scholars by the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program. They are as follows:

Guyer High School: Mei Earling, Joel Elliott, Margaret Garvert, Will Matthews, Stephen Moorer, Keith Richards, Theodore Torres, Kendra Wenger and Emily Windle.

Ryan High: Mark Ashby, Sean Rohde, James Strange, Preston Tunnell-Wilson and Emily Williams

Denton High: Ariel Bailey

Denton ISD also had four students receive recognition as National Hispanic Scholars:

Denton High: Christopher Murillo, Skylar Padilla, Nathan Place:

Guyer High: Theodore Torres

The district had one National Achievement Scholar:

Guyer High: Sanelisiwe Moyo:

Hawk Elementary was recently named to the state comptroller's 2011 Texas Honors Circle. Hawk was one of only 313 campuses in the state to meet the

strict requirements established by the comptroller's office for the annual Financial Allocation Study for Texas, known as FAST. The FAST study evaluates spending practices as they relate to academic performance. Hawk received a five-star rating - the highest possible score - by increasing its academic progress while spending less than most of its comparable campus peers.

The Denton Independent School District recently placed three campuses on the National Center of Educational Achievement's prestigious national honor roll. NCEA's national honor roll recognizes schools for exceptional educational growth and college and career readiness in its students. Hawk and Hodge Elementary and Navo Middle schools scored better in growth or college and career preparedness than similar schools - as measured by the NCEA. Each school is measured in math, reading, science and writing and compared against other schools with similar demographics.

1st Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Financial Audit Report as of June 30, 2011 Carl Deaton of Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn & Seay, presented DISD's Audit report for the year ending June 30, 2011. The report stated that the main focus for the 2011-12 budget was the projected funding reductions from the state.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Discussion of 3rd Quarter Growth Report Rocky Gardner with Templeton Demographics provided the Board of Trustees with a summary concerning the general DFW housing market, economic indicators, Denton I.S.D. residential activity and enrollment projections as of the 3rd Quarter 2011 and its impact to the overall growth of the Denton ISD.

Denton ISD is ranked fourth in growth for the Dallas-Fort Worth area with annual closings numbering 776 and annual starts at 769. The fastest growing areas in the district are Paloma Creek South (1,367 homes occupied with 2,917 planned), Robson Ranch (1,305 occupied with 3,193 total), Providence (1,748 occupied with 2,296 total), Savannah (total at build out is 2,258) and Cross Oak Ranch (937 occupied with 1,934 total).

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Discussion & Review of TASB Update 91 Update 91 represents the **first of three** post-legislative updates and encompasses changes in law from the 82nd Legislative Session that has an immediate effect on the governance and management of the district. Update 91 addresses a variety of major topics, including elections, purchasing and construction contracts, investments, instructional materials, employee contracts, student truancy and discipline, student concussions, and district

records. Also included in Update 91 are local policies that address nonrenewal of employee contracts, facilities construction, investments, corporal punishment, dating violence, and instructional materials.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Continued
Discussion of
Options On
School Finance
Lawsuit

Dr. Braswell reviewed the three school finance litigation lawsuits

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Discussion of
Middle School
#7

Rod Reeves, Facilities Coordinator, and Debbie Monschke, Executive Director of Administrative Services, presented the possibility of adding middle school No. 7. The report will give the Denton ISD Board of Trustees an overview of Middle School #7 and of the District's growing middle school enrollment. Ms. Monschke stated that \$15.1 million remain in contingency funds from the 2007, 2004, 2002 and 1999 bond packages to help with the construction of middle school No.7 and bond projects that include science labs at Evers Park, Houston and Ginnings elementary schools. Additional bonds would need to be sold to complete these projects.

Mr. Reeves discussed some of the benefits of opening middle school No. 7 for the 2013-14 school year because Crownover and Harpool Middle schools would be over capacity in 2013, with Navo and Strickland over capacity in 2014.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

Update on
International
Baccalaureate
Programs

Dr. Mike Mattingly presented the Board with an update on the International Baccalaureate Programs that are in place at Newton Rayzor Elementary, Calhoun Middle and Denton High. The three programs have increased in-district and out-of-district transfers. Out-of-district numbers include 19 for Newton Rayzor, 11 for Calhoun and 25 for Denton High. Denton High has 16 seniors and 56 juniors involved as diploma candidates.

This item is for information only. No action is required.

2nd Open Forum

No one wished to speak.

Consent Agenda

Dr. Braswell pulled Item I-Approval of School Health Advisory Council Student Risk Survey from the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve the (minutes of the October 18, 2011 and October 25, 2011

board meetings; personnel matters and personnel leaves and absences; Budget Amendments as of October 31, 2011; approve on second reading the adoption of EIA (Local), EIC (Local), FB (Local), FFH (Local) and the deletion of EIAB (Local); School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) By-Law Amendment; School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) Membership Nominees; approve the renewal from TASB Risk Fund for the following coverage's: \$886,027,921 Blanket Replacement Cost Limit - \$50,000 Deductible and \$250,000 Deductible for Wind, Hurricane and Hail, Equipment Breakdown, Miscellaneous Property, Liability, Vehicle, and Crime; approval of Denton High School Jazz Band to travel to New Orleans, Louisiana, December 16-20, 2011; approval of Ryan High School Choir to travel to the San Antonio Choral Festival in San Antonio, Texas on April 20-22, 2012; Approval of Resolution #35759DEN For Resale of Property Acquired Due to Delinquent Property Tax and approval of surplus equipment to be sent to auction or equipment beyond repair to be sold as scrap).

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Financial Audit
as of June 30,
2011

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez

To approve the Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2011.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
2012-2013
Calendar

Motion by Glenna Harris and seconded by Jeanetta Smith

To approve the 2012-2013 School Calendar as submitted

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of
Ryan High
School Drainage/
Athletics Project

Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded by Rudy Rodriguez

To approve the project to replace the track and field (turf) at Ryan High School using the quote as submitted by Hellas Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,420,780 with a total project budget of \$1,647,060. This project is to be funded from remaining interest earnings and contingency funds in the 2002 Bond Authorization.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Consider
Approval of the
2011 Certified
Tax Roll

Motion by Curtis Ramsey and seconded by Glenna Harris

To approve of the 2011 Certified Tax Roll with net taxable value of \$9,780,207,871, and beginning levy of \$147,052,494.03.

The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

3rd Open Forum No one wished to speak.

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 8:18 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:19 pm
Motion by Jim Alexander and seconded Curtis Ramsey
To dismiss the grievance.
The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Closed Meeting The Board convened into Closed Session at 10:21 pm

Open Meeting The Board reconvened into Open Session at 11:06 pm
Motion by Charles Stafford and seconded Curtis Ramsey
To adopt the Resolution to retain the firm of Thompson & Horton Attorneys
to represent Denton ISD in the Texas School Finance Litigation.
The motion passed unanimously of Board members present and voting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

President

Secretary